Patent claims

- 1. A white, biaxially oriented polyester film which has a base layer B which comprises a thermoplastic polyester, wherein the R value of the film is smaller than 43 daN/mm², the e_{max} ratio of the film is smaller than 2.5, and at least one of the two surfaces of the film has been provided with an acrylate-containing coating.
- 2. The polyester film as claimed in claim 1, wherein the R value of the film is smaller than 42 daN/mm 2 , and the e_{max} ratio of the film is smaller than 2.2,
- 3. The polyester film as claimed in claim 1, wherein the base layer B comprises at least 80% by weight of the thermoplastic polyester, based on the total weight of the layer.
- 4. The polyester film as claimed in claim 1, wherein the polyester contains units of ethylene glycol and terephthalic acid, and/or units of ethylene glycol and naphthalene-2,6-dicarboxylic acid.
- 5. The polyester film as claimed in claim 1, wherein the polyester used in the base layer B comprises polyethylene terephthalate.
- 6. The polyester film as claimed in claim 1, which is a single-layer film.
- 7. The polyester film as claimed in claim 1, which has a symmetrical layer structure ABA or ACBCA, where C are the intermediate layers and A are the outer layers of the film.

- 8. The polyester film as claimed in claim 1, which comprises substantially only TiO₂ as white pigment or filler.
- 9. The polyester film as claimed in claim 1, wherein only the base layer B of the film has a white pigment or filler.
- 10. The polyester film as claimed in claim 1, which comprises more than 3% by weight, of white pigment, based on the total weight of the layer in which it is present.
- 11. The polyester film as claimed in claim 1, wherein the acrylate-containing coating comprises polymerized acrylic and/or methacrylic monomers and copolymerizable comonomers which are capable of developing intermolecular crosslinking.
- 12. The polyester film as claimed in claim 1, wherein the acrylate-containing coating is applied in the form of an aqueous dispersion to one or both surfaces of the film.
- 13. The polyester film as claimed in claim 1, whose overall thickness is from 10 to $120 \mu m$.
- 14. The polyester film as claimed in claim 1, having a yellowness index smaller than 40.
- 15. A process for producing a polyester film as claimed in claim 1, encompassing the steps of
 - a) producing a single- or multilayer film by extrusion or coextrusion and shaping the melts to give flat melt films,

- b) coating the film with an acrylate-containing coating,
- c) biaxial stretching of the film, and
- d) heat-setting of the stretched film.
- 16. The process as claimed in claim 15, wherein, to achieve the desired R value or e_{max} ratio of the film, the stretching temperatures are increased, and/or the stretching ratio, for longitudinal and/or transverse stretching, is reduced.
- 17. The process as claimed in claim 15, wherein the longitudinal stretching temperature is from 80 to 130°C, the transverse stretching temperature is from 80 to 135°C, the longitudinal stretching ratio is from 2.5 to 4.0, and the transverse stretching ratio is from 3.5 to 4.0.
- 18. A packaging film for foods and other consumable items formed from polyester film in accordance with claim 1.
- 19. Lidding film for cup-type containers formed from polyester film in accordance with claim 1.

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